

have expressed their opinion. They have expressed their opinions on gambling issues. Governor Kerrey has said that he will veto the bill and so although you may get 25 votes this morning to reconsider, you are still going to have to have 30 votes to override the Governor. And so I am wondering why we should be wasting our time on this bill when there are so many more important bills for us to discuss and perhaps pass this session. I don't think this is going to be a big revenue raiser bill and besides that it is going to cost us a lot of money. There is an A bill to go along with this that costs \$115,000, \$115,000 to implement. But the Department of Revenue says they feel or they have estimated the cost to be \$225,000 the first year to implement this bill. And so I would just urge you today to not vote for the reconsideration motion.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Cal Carsten, please. Then Senator Higgins.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I am not going to speak on this bill but I certainly realize it is the time of the day when Senator Chambers or whoever it might be is up does not have a very fair chance and I think we owe it to him and he is within his rights and within the rules of the Legislature in his motion. I would, therefore, request your permission for me to surrender my time to Senator Chambers.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman and thank you, Senator Carsten. I really appreciate it. Senator Hefner raised some legitimate issues and I ought to address them forthrightly which I intend to do. He is correct that only in Nevada is there legalized bookmaking, yet what he failed to mention to you is that there is illegal bookmaking in all the rest of the states on the continent and off the continent, meaning Alaska and Hawaii. The odds that are determined in Nevada are broadcast throughout the world but primarily within the United States and wagering occurs throughout this country based in large part on the odds established in Nevada. To show how lucrative this betting is, if you turn on any of the sports channels, ESPN especially, and sometimes HBO and the others that carry football games and sporting events, you will see individuals who have a business of picking winners or purporting to be